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To:

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 21, 2009, enclosed is the following:

• Response and Amendment.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge underpayment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 20-0888.

A return postcard is also enclosed. Please date stamp and mail the postcard in order to acknowledge receipt of this correspondence.

Respectfully submitted,

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